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 IN LAPAROSCOPIC SURGERY

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- ☒ 10 sheets of formal drawings (A4 paper; Figs. 1-12) are enclosed.
- ☒ ~~An assignment of the invention to Surgicon, Inc. is enclosed.~~
- ☒ Applicant hereby claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 & 1.27.
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